Excise laws pending adjudication or otherwise against Jagatjit Industries Limited;

(c) what is the break-up of amounts involved case-wise;

(d) what are the details confirmed by the adjudicating authorities, case-wise; and

(e) what action Government are taking to realise the disputes amounts where Courts have granted stay orders?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): *Information relating to* Central Excise is as under:—

(a) Cases of alleged excise duty evasion have been booked against Industrial houses.

(b) and (c) No case is pending adjudication against M/s. Jagatjit Industries Ltd.

(d) and (e) One cases was registered in 1991. The duty involved in this case was Rs. 60,52,870/-. The duty evasion was confirmed in 1991 and a personal penalty of Rs. 4,02,000/- was imposed. The Central Excise duty has been realised. Recovery of the personal penalty has been stayed by CEGAT to whom a prayer is being made for vacation of the stay. Prosecution has also been launched against the assessee.

Information in respect of Customs and Income Tax is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Transfer policy in Central Board of Direct Taxes

4012. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that major changes are being brought in the existing transfer policy, being followed by the Central Board of Direct Taxes relating to Class I officers;

(b) if so, what are the changes being made;

(c) what is the need for such changes;

(d) what is the number of officers at the level of Chief Commissioners, Commissioners, Deputy Commissioners and Assistant Commissioners affected by the new changes being made;

(e) what is the expenditure involved in implementing such changes; and

(f) whether the guidelines issued by the Department of Personnel regarding posting of husband and wife at the same station are being followed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) to (c) With a view to streamlining the transfer policy in respect of Indian Revenue Service Offcers, a few changes have been made very recently. These mainly relate to restriction on the total stay of an officer in a particular region during his entire career, the cooling-off period for being posted to the same region, the transfer liability of officers when promoted from Group 'B' to Group 'A' posts and restriction regarding transfer from one region to another within the same State.

(d) and (e) Do not arise; as no transfers have so far been effected in terms of the new transfer policy.

(f) Yes, Sir.

Imposing anti-dumping duty on PVC

4013. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering imposition of anti-dumping duty on PVC to protect the domestic PVC industry; and

(b) if so, whether Government would also ensure that the local PVC makers are not emboldened to increase their prices unilaterally?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) Provisional Anti-dumping duty has been levied on the PVC resin of specified grades, originating from Argentina, Brazil, Mexico, Republic of Korea or U.S.A. for a period of four months, with effect from 2nd February, 1993, because Indian Industry is facing a threat of material injury due to these imports.

(b) It is expected that the price of this commodity would be determined by market forces of supply and demand.

UTI investment in Bihar

4044. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during the last financial year the Unit Trust of India had invested about Rs. 1,500 crores throughout the country in the National Saving Schemes but in Bihar only an investment of Rs. 40 crores was made which means that Bihar got an investment of hardly 2.67 per cent;

(b) whether it is a fact that more investment should have been made in Bihar to lessen the regional imbalances keeping in view the State's population; and

(c) if so, what steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED): (a) No, Sir. UTI has not made any investment in National Saving Schemes in the year 1991-92.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

Financial Mismanagement in Bihar

4015. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been financial mismanagement and diversion of the Central funds in Bihar during the year 1991-92;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what measures Government have taken to check the financial mismanagement in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) Any financial mismanagement and diversion of Central funds in Bihar during 1991-92 will be known only after the accounts of the State have been audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India who submits his Reports to the Governor of the State for being laid before the State Legislature. Government of Bihar have informed that there has been no financial mismanagement and diversion of Central funds in the State during 1991-92.

(b) and (c) Question do not arise.

Promotions in CEGAT Tribunal

4016. SHRI RAM DEO BHANDARI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in the Customs, Excise and Gold (Control) Appellate Tribunal, New Delhi, as per existing practice, the Group 'C' posts, are filled up by appointing persons on deputation where officers from feeder cadre are not fit for promotion;

(b) if so, the period after which the existing officials in feeder cadre are considered for promotion;

(c) the names and designation of such employees, who have completed their services of required number of